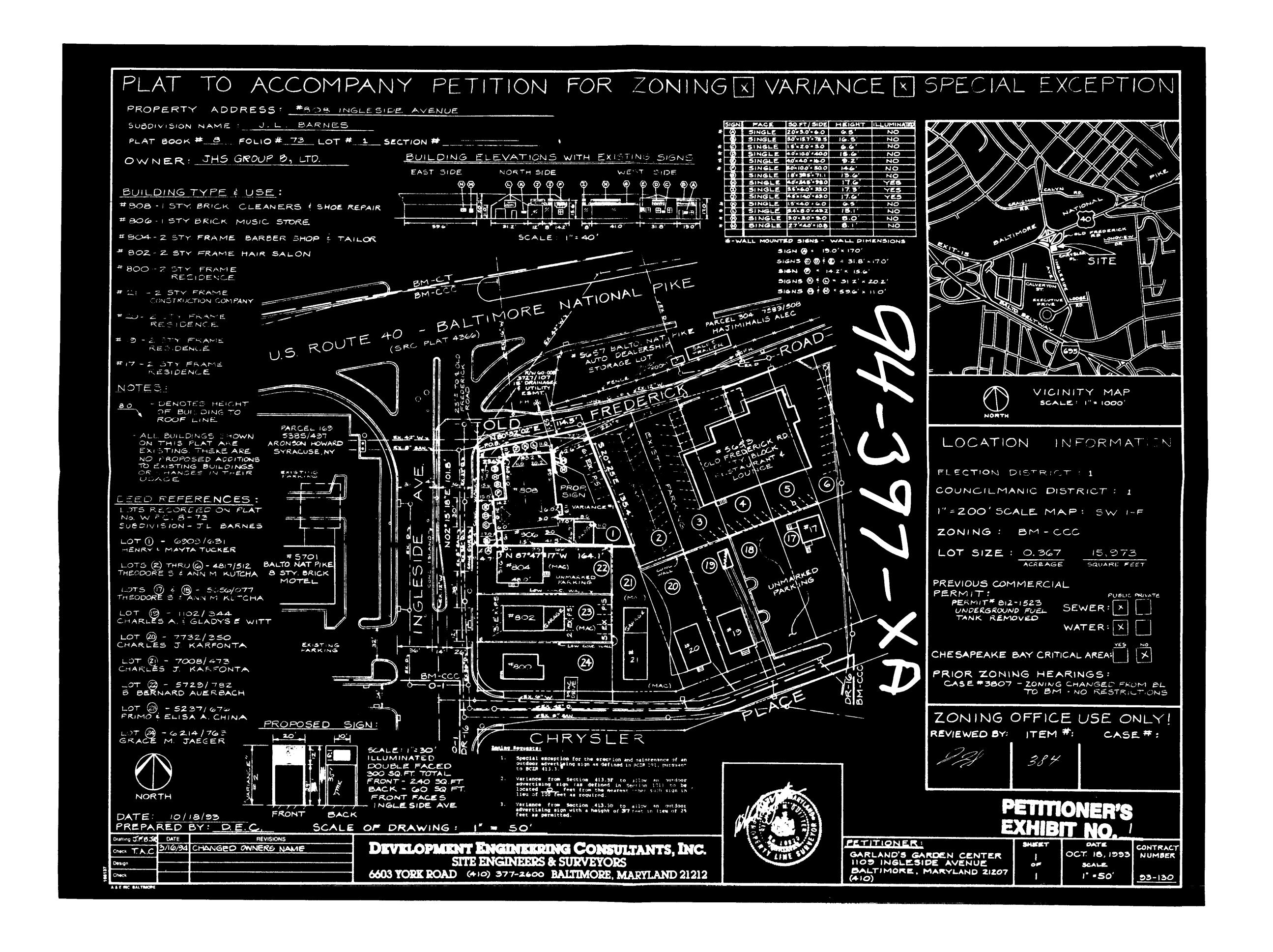
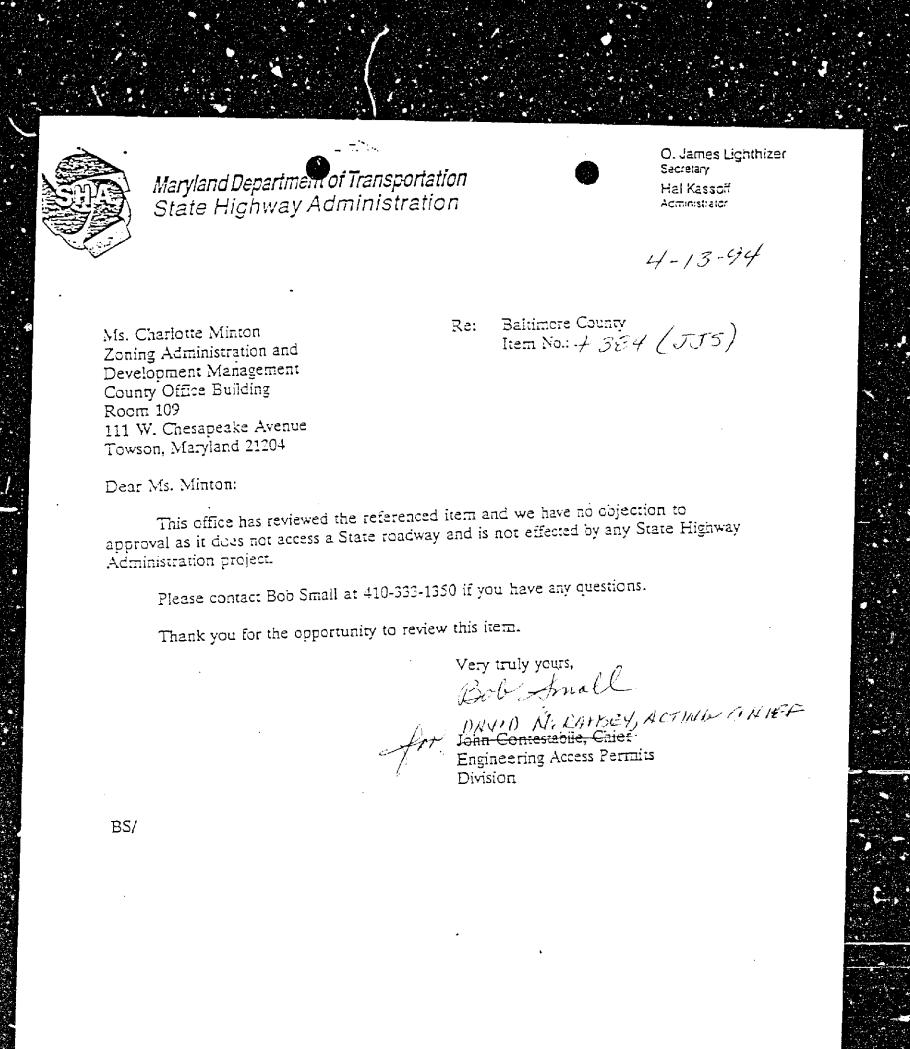
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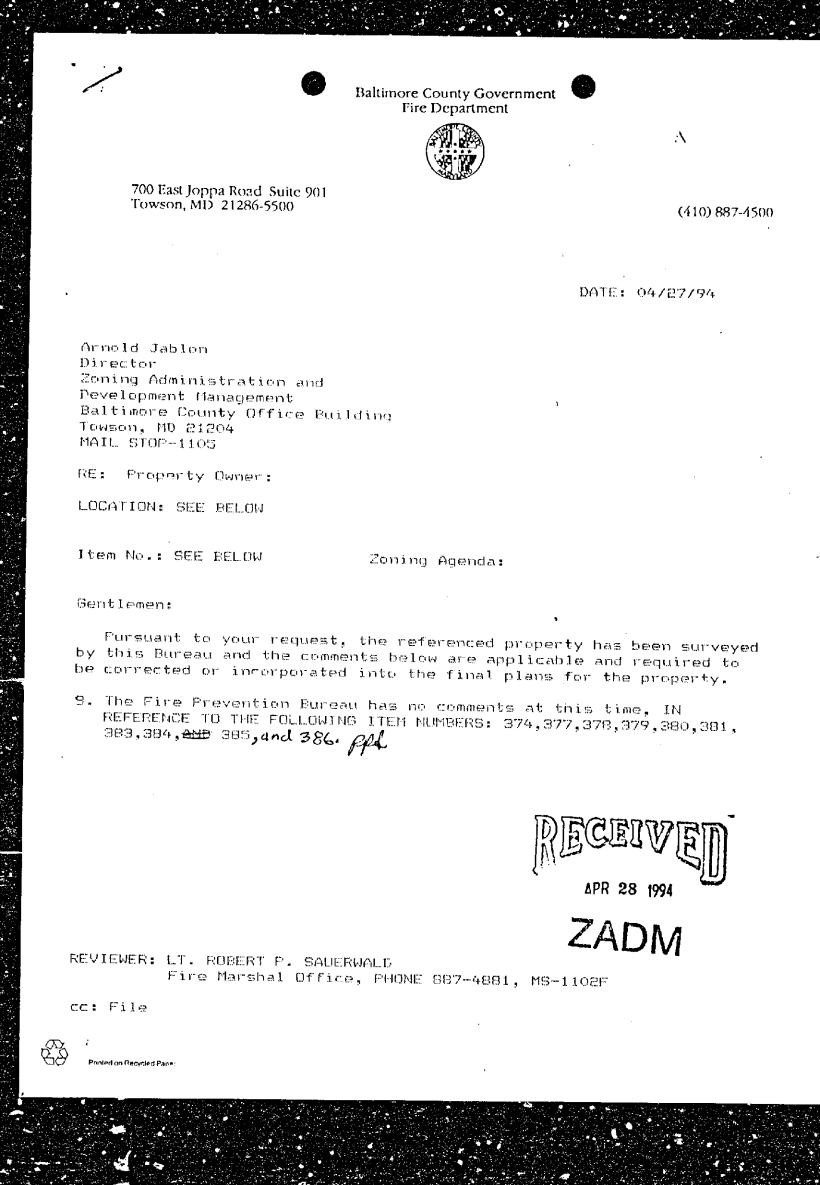


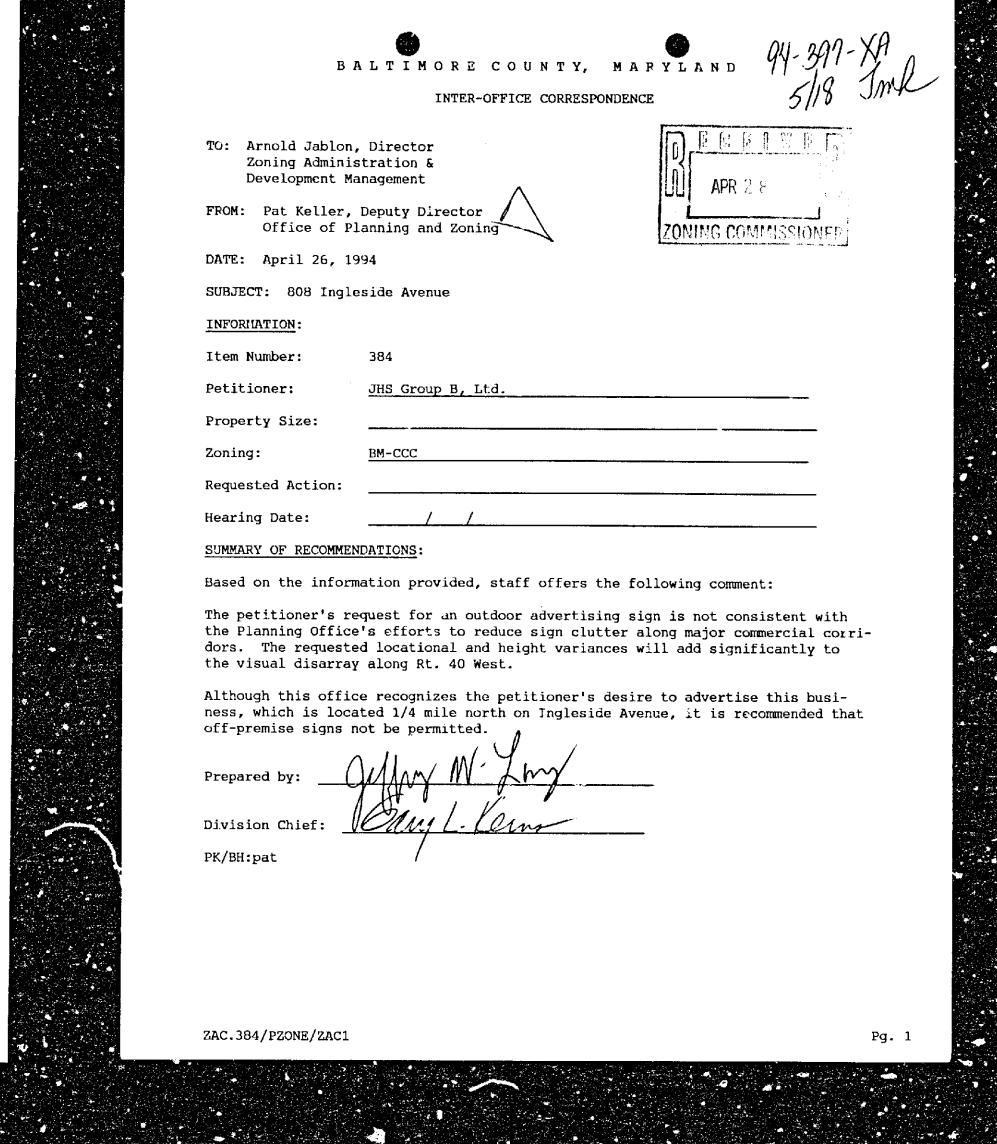


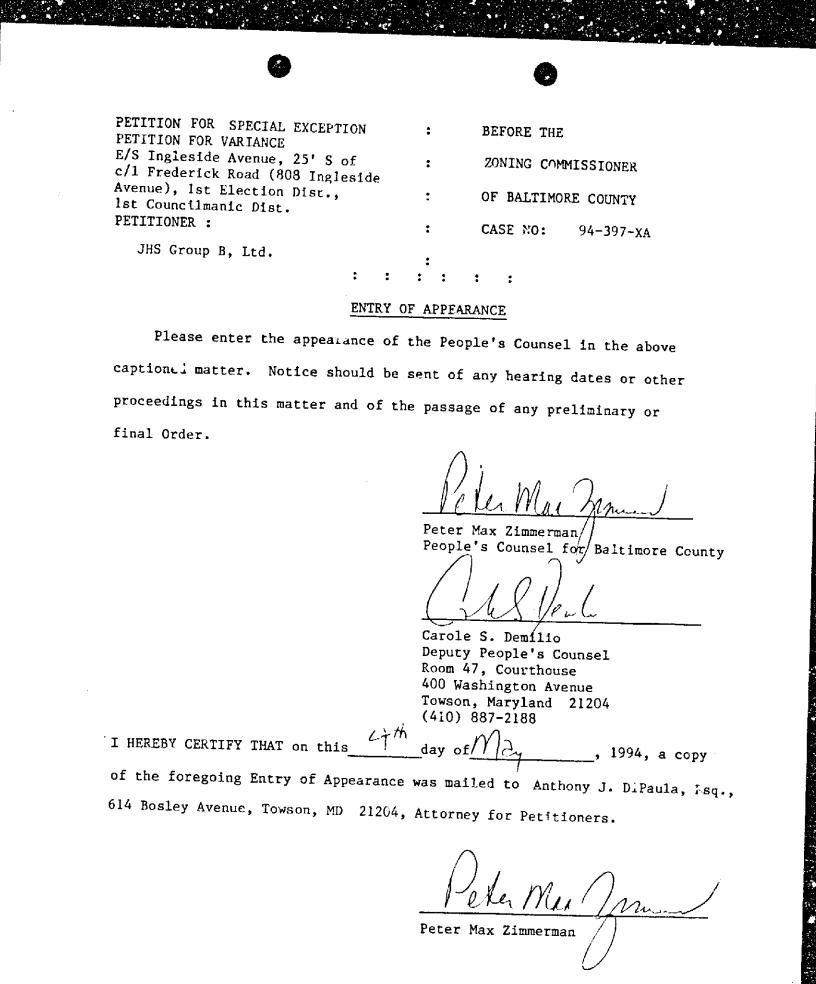
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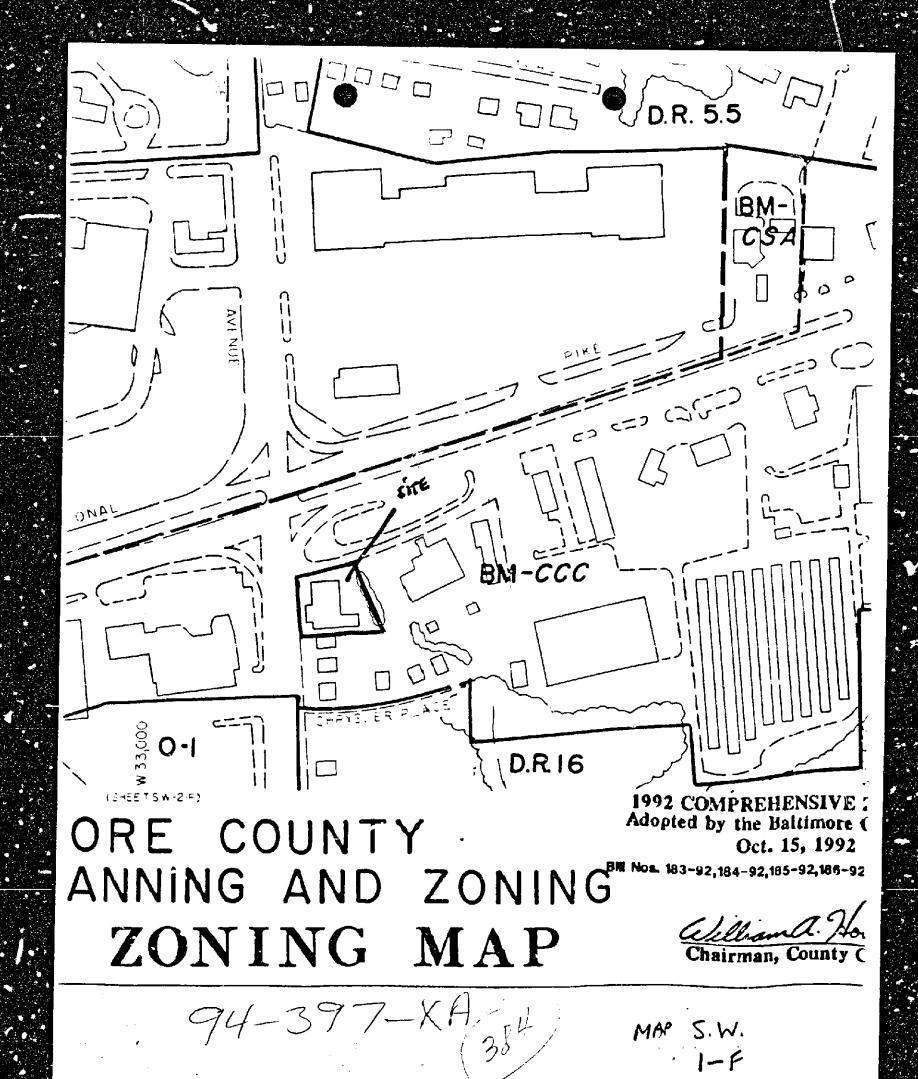
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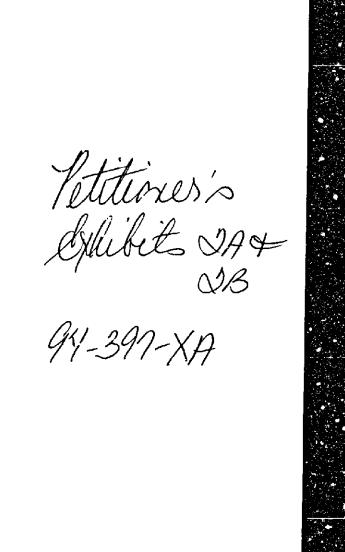
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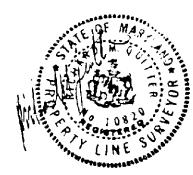
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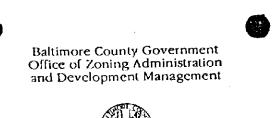
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ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR

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LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT
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cc: JHS Group B, Ltd.
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PETITION PROCESSING FLAG

This petition has been accepted for filing, after an initial review, and has been placed on the agenda for the zoning advisory committee. However, the following items were found to be missing or incomplete when the petition was included on the agenda by Sophia. A copy of this "flag" will be placed in the case file for the Zoning Commissioner's review. The planner that accepted the petition for filing has the option of notifying the petitioner and/or attorney prior to the hearing or Zoning Commissioner's review of the petition regarding the items noted below. If the petitioner/attorney is contacted by the planner, it is the petitioner's ultimate decision and responsibility to make a proper application, address any zoning conflicts, and to file revised petition materials if necessary. Delays and unnecessary additional expenses may be avoided by correcting the petition to the proper form.

The following information is missing: Descriptions, including accurate beginning point Actual address of property Plats (need 12, only ____ submitted) 200 scale zoning map with property outlined Election district Councilmanic district BCZR section information and/or wording Hardship/practical difficulty information Owner's signature (need minimum 1 original signature) and printed name and/or address and/or telephone number Contract purchaser's signature (need minimum 1 original signature) and/or printed name and/or address Signature (need minimum 1 original signature) and/or printed name and/or title of person signing for legal owner/contract purchaser Power of attorney or authorization for person signing for legal owner and/or contract purchaser Attorney's signature (need minimum 1 original signature) and/or printed name and/or address and/or telephone number Notary Public's section is incomplete and/or incorrect and/or commission has expired

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May 9, 1994

Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire Covahey & Boozer, P.A. 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21207

RE: Case No. 94-397-XA, Item No. 384
Petitioner: JHS Group B, Ltd., et al.
Petition for Variance

Dear Mr. DiPaula:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The attached comments from each reviewing agency are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties, i.e., zoning commissioner, attorney and/or the petitioner, are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case.

Enclosed are all comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition. If additional comments are received from other members of ZAC, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on April 8, 1934, and a hearing was scheduled accordingly.

The following comments are related <u>only to the filing of future</u> <u>zoning petitions</u> and are nimed at expediting the petition filing process with this office.

1. The director of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby seasoned zoning attorneys who feel that they are capable of filing petitions that comply with all aspects of the zoning regulations and petitions filing requirements can file their petitions with this office without the necessity of a preliminary review by zoning personnel.

* * * * * * * * * * FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

JBS Group B, Ltd.

Petitioners

This matter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as Petitions for Special Exception and Variance for that property known as 808 Ingleside Avenue, located in the Catonsville area of western Baltimore County. The Petitions were filed by the owners of the property, JHS Group B, Ltd., by James H. Sellors, President, and the Contract Purchaser/Lessee, Garland's Garden Center, by Garland Williams, Proprietor, through their attorney, Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire. The Petitioners seek a special exception for an outdoor advertising sign, as defined in Section 101 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.), to be placed on the subject property, pursuant to Section 413.3 of the B.C.Z.R., and variance relief from Section 413.3.F of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a two-sided outdoor advertising sign, as defined in Section 101, which is 0 feet from the nearest other such sign in lieu of the required distance of 100 feet, and from Section 413.5.2 of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a height for said sign of 35 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 25 feet. The subject property and relief sought are more particularly described on the site plan submitted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the requisite hearing held for this matter were Garland Williams on behalf of Garland's Garden Center, Tom Church, Develop-

ment Engineering Consultant, and Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire, attorney for the Petitioners. There were no Protestants present.

Testimony and evidence presented indicated that the subject property, known as 808 Ingleside Avenue, consists of 0.367 acres, zoned B.M.-C.C.C. and is improved with a one story brick building which is the site of a dry cleaning and shoe repair business. The property is located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Ingleside Avenue and Baltimore National Pike. The Petitioners are desirous of placing a directional sign on the property in the location shown on Petitioner's Exhibit 1 to advertise Garland's Garden Center, which is located eight (8) blocks away from the above-referenced intersection. Garland Williams, Proprietor of Garland's Garden Center, testified that he has operated his business on Ingleside Avenue for the past 20 years. He considers himself to be a local establishment, employing up to 55 individuals from this area of Baltimore County. Mr. Williams testified that competition in his line of business has increased due to the opening of a Home Depot nearby and the future opening of a Wal-Mart in the same vicinity. He believes that a directional sign is necessary in order to attract customers to his business inasmuch as Garland's is not located on a main road, such as Baltimore National Pike. Mr. Williams further believes that the much larger Home Depot and Wal-Mart will have a substantial deleterious effect upon his establishment and that the proposed sign is necessary in order for him to stay in business due to the increased competition.

It is clear that the B.C.Z.R. permits the use proposed in a B.M.-C.C.C. zone by special exception. It is equally clear that the proposed use would not be detrimental to the primary uses in the vicinity. There-

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fore, it must be determined if the conditions as delineated in Section 502.1 are satisfied.

The Petitioner had the burden of adducing testimony and evidence which would show that the proposed use mat the prescribed standards and requirements set forth in Section 502.1 of the B.C.Z.R. The Petitioner has shown that the proposed use would be conducted without real detriment to the neighborhood and would not adversely affect the public interest. The facts and circumstances do not show that the proposed use at the particular location described by Petitioner's Exhibit 1 would have any adverse impact above and beyond that inherently associated with such a special exception use, irrespective of its location within the zone. Schultz v. Pritts, 432 A.2d 1319 (1981).

The proposed use will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the locality, nor tend to create congestion in roads, streets, or alleys therein, nor be inconsistent with the purposes of the property's zoning classification, nor in any other way be inconsistent with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

After reviewing all of the testimony and evidence presented, it appears that the special exception should be granted with certain restrictions as more fully described below.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

> 1) whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;

2) whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and

3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28

It is clear from the testimony that if the variance is granted, such use, as proposed, will not be contrary to the spirit of the B.C.Z.R. and will not result in any injury to the public good.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the variance is not granted. It has been established that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of this variance request and that the requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief will unduly restrict the use of the land due to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addition, the variance requested will not cause any injury to the public health, safety or general welfare. Further, the granting of the Petitioner's request is in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the special exception and variances should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this graph day of June, 1994 that the Petition for Special Exception for an outdoor advertising sign, as defined in Section 101

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance relief from Section 413.3.F of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a two-sided outdoor advertising sign, as defined in Section 101, which is 0 feet from the nearest other such sign in lieu of the required distance of 100 feet, and from Section 413.5D of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a height for said sign of 35 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 25 feet, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following restrictions:

> 1) The Petitioners may apply for their sign permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.

> 2) The special exception and variance relief granted herein is limited to a sign advertising Garland's Carden Center, only. There shall be no other advertising matter placed upon this sign. In the event that Garland's Garden Center no longer operates from its present location at 11 Ingleside Avenue, then the subject sign shall be removed and the special exception and variances granted herein shall cease and terminate.

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> > Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

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Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petitions for Special Exception and Variance have been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

June 8, 1994

E/S Ingleside Avenue, 25'S of the c/l of Frederick Road

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development Management office at 887-3391.

Very truly yours, TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

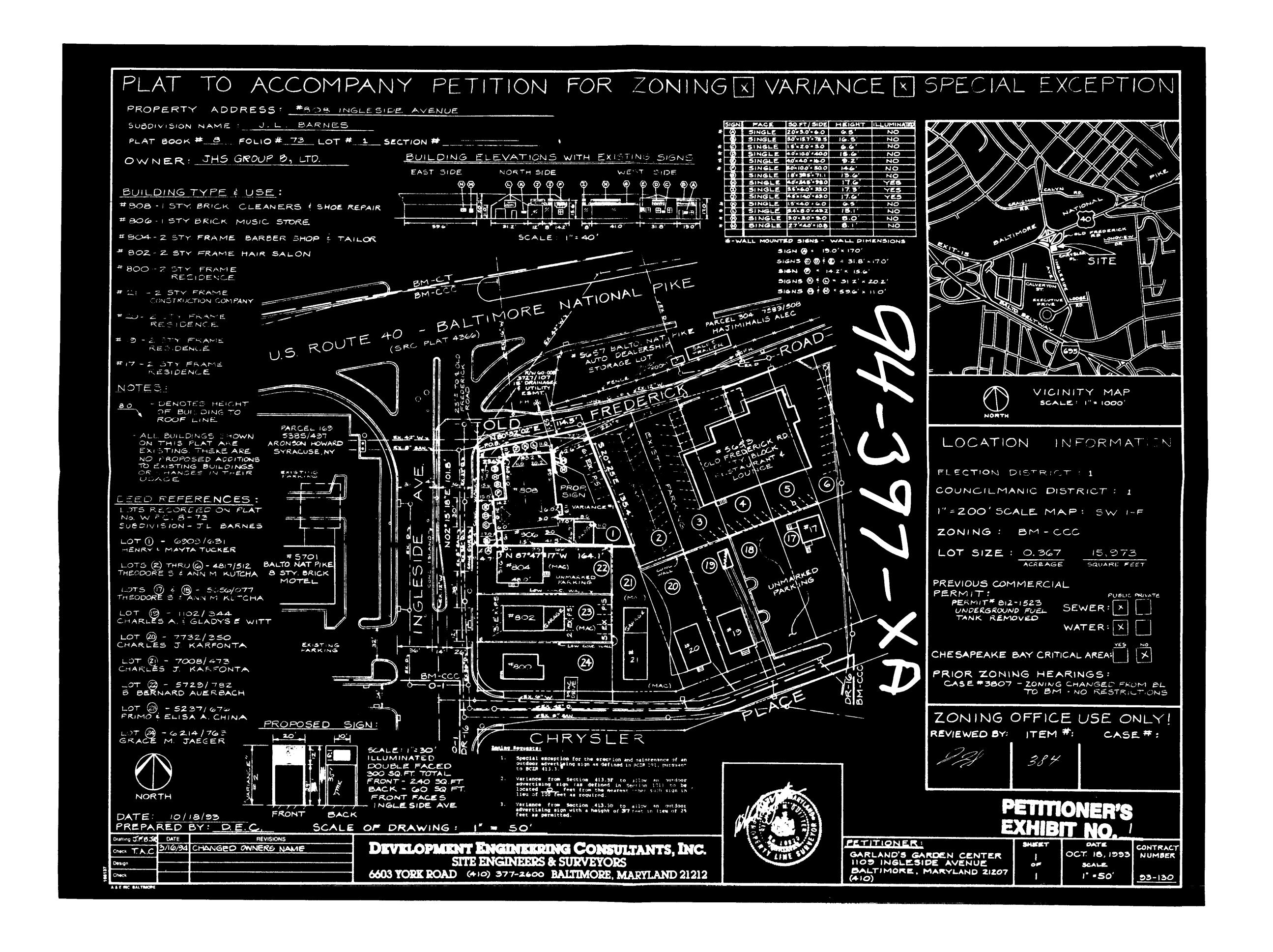
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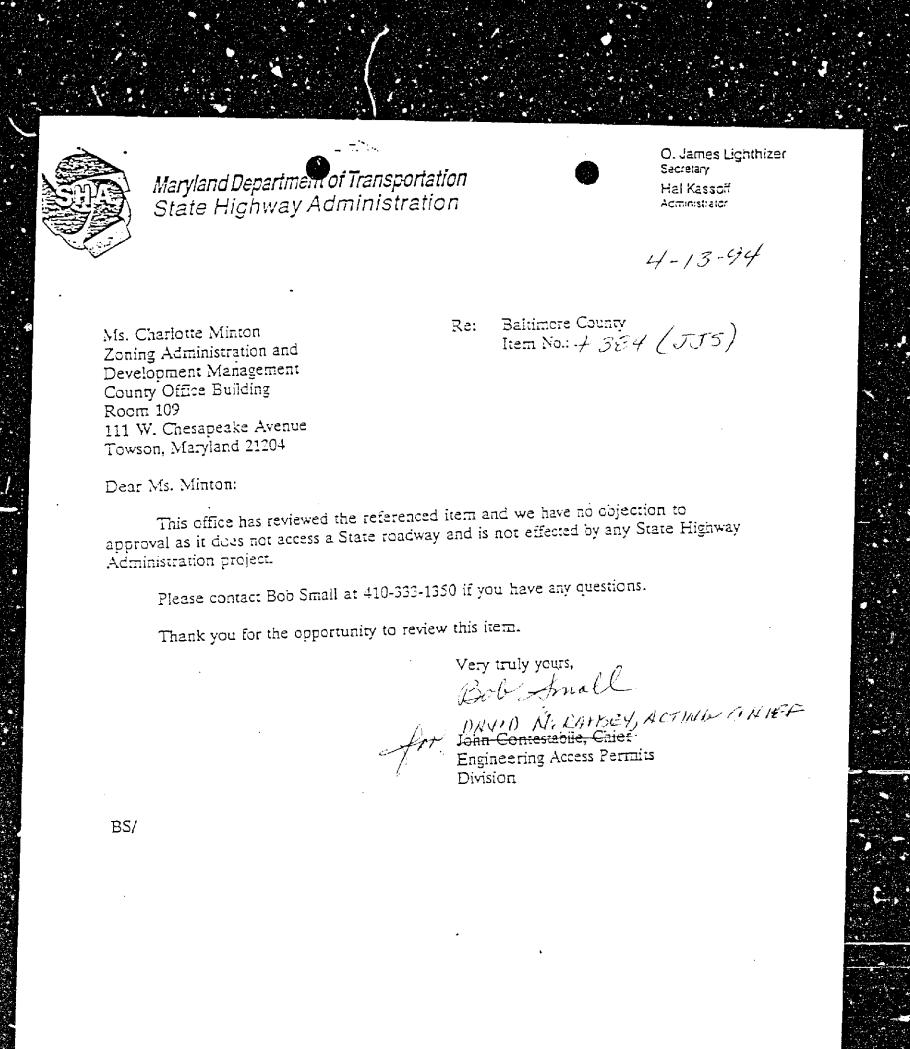
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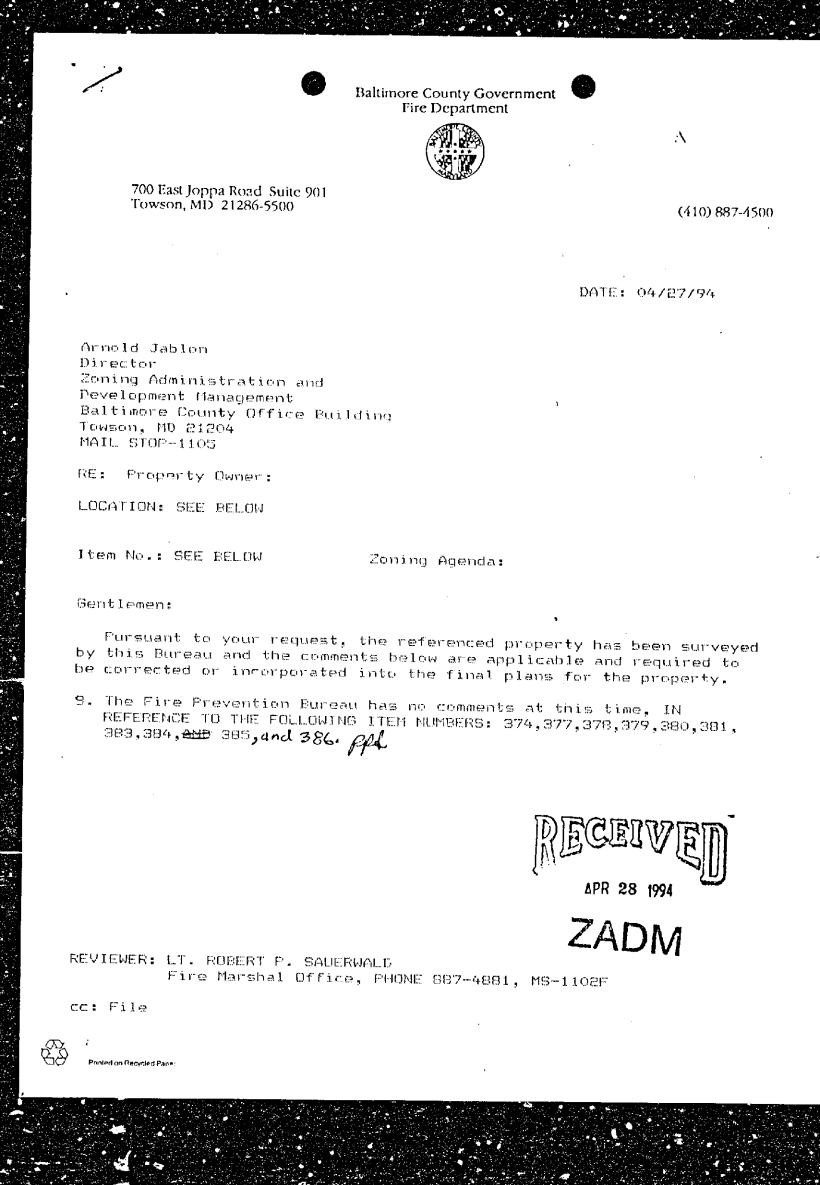


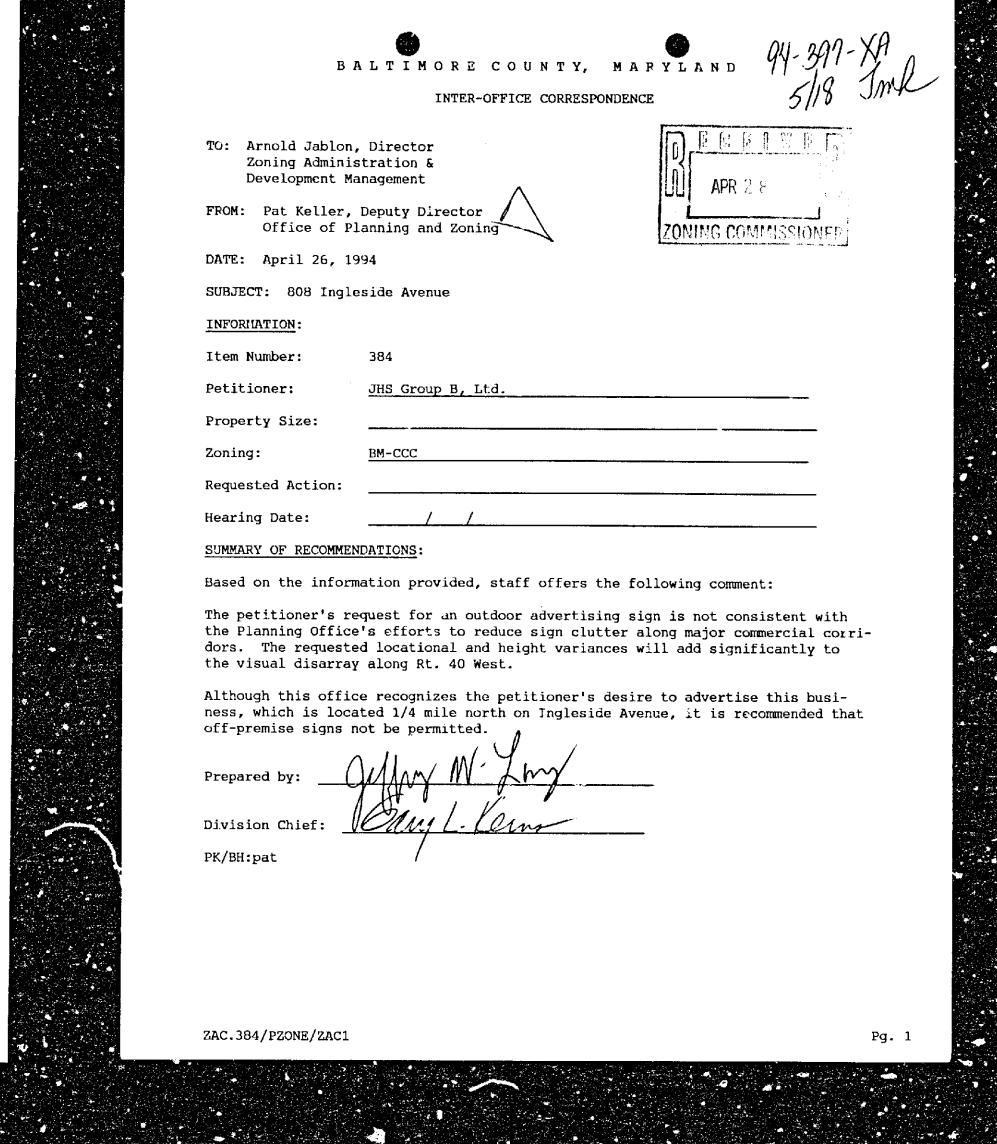


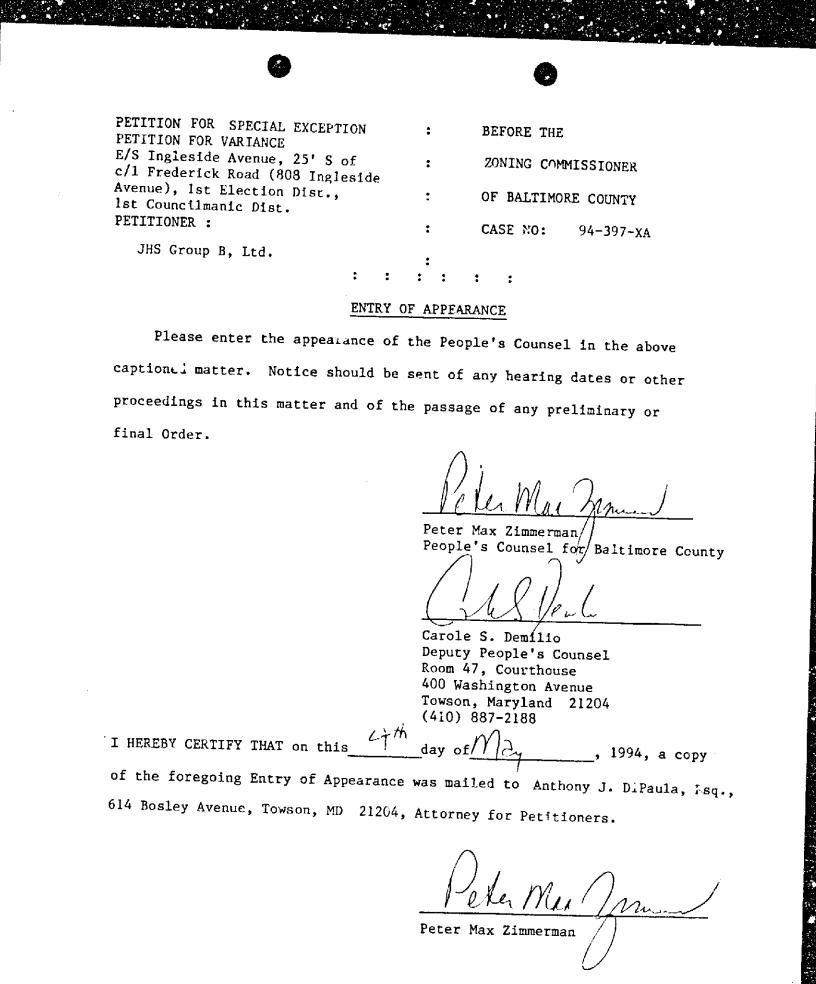
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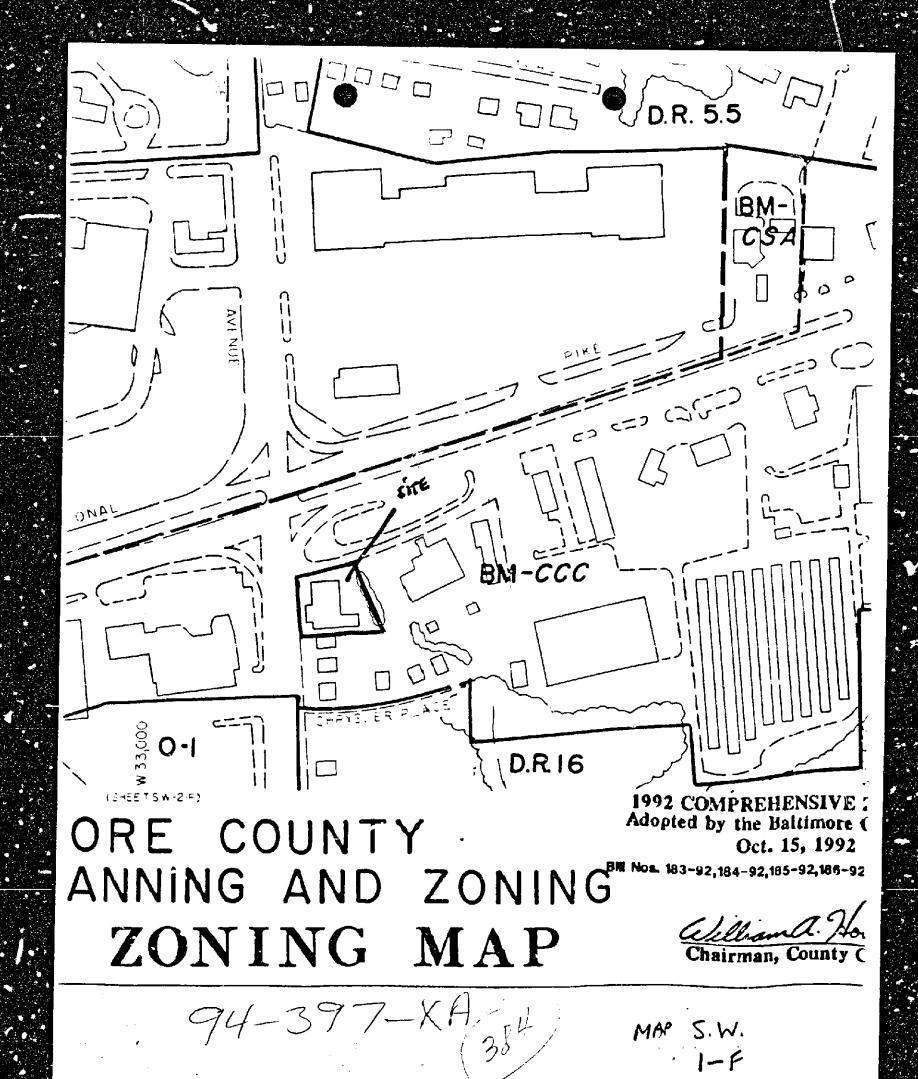
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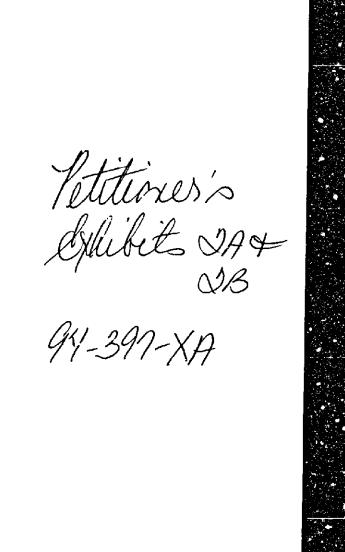
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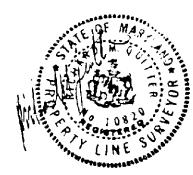
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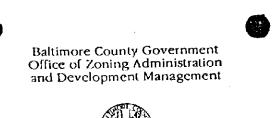
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This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

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Contract Purchaser(s): Garland's Garden Center
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LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT
ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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cc: JHS Group B, Ltd.
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Anthony J. DiPaula, Esq.

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PETITION PROCESSING FLAG

This petition has been accepted for filing, after an initial review, and has been placed on the agenda for the zoning advisory committee. However, the following items were found to be missing or incomplete when the petition was included on the agenda by Sophia. A copy of this "flag" will be placed in the case file for the Zoning Commissioner's review. The planner that accepted the petition for filing has the option of notifying the petitioner and/or attorney prior to the hearing or Zoning Commissioner's review of the petition regarding the items noted below. If the petitioner/attorney is contacted by the planner, it is the petitioner's ultimate decision and responsibility to make a proper application, address any zoning conflicts, and to file revised petition materials if necessary. Delays and unnecessary additional expenses may be avoided by correcting the petition to the proper form.

The following information is missing: Descriptions, including accurate beginning point Actual address of property Plats (need 12, only ____ submitted) 200 scale zoning map with property outlined Election district Councilmanic district BCZR section information and/or wording Hardship/practical difficulty information Owner's signature (need minimum 1 original signature) and printed name and/or address and/or telephone number Contract purchaser's signature (need minimum 1 original signature) and/or printed name and/or address Signature (need minimum 1 original signature) and/or printed name and/or title of person signing for legal owner/contract purchaser Power of attorney or authorization for person signing for legal owner and/or contract purchaser Attorney's signature (need minimum 1 original signature) and/or printed name and/or address and/or telephone number Notary Public's section is incomplete and/or incorrect and/or commission has expired

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May 9, 1994

Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire Covahey & Boozer, P.A. 614 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21207

RE: Case No. 94-397-XA, Item No. 384
Petitioner: JHS Group B, Ltd., et al.
Petition for Variance

Dear Mr. DiPaula:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The attached comments from each reviewing agency are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties, i.e., zoning commissioner, attorney and/or the petitioner, are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case.

Enclosed are all comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition. If additional comments are received from other members of ZAC, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on April 8, 1934, and a hearing was scheduled accordingly.

The following comments are related <u>only to the filing of future</u> <u>zoning petitions</u> and are nimed at expediting the petition filing process with this office.

1. The director of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby seasoned zoning attorneys who feel that they are capable of filing petitions that comply with all aspects of the zoning regulations and petitions filing requirements can file their petitions with this office without the necessity of a preliminary review by zoning personnel.

* * * * * * * * * * FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

JBS Group B, Ltd.

Petitioners

This matter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as Petitions for Special Exception and Variance for that property known as 808 Ingleside Avenue, located in the Catonsville area of western Baltimore County. The Petitions were filed by the owners of the property, JHS Group B, Ltd., by James H. Sellors, President, and the Contract Purchaser/Lessee, Garland's Garden Center, by Garland Williams, Proprietor, through their attorney, Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire. The Petitioners seek a special exception for an outdoor advertising sign, as defined in Section 101 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.), to be placed on the subject property, pursuant to Section 413.3 of the B.C.Z.R., and variance relief from Section 413.3.F of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a two-sided outdoor advertising sign, as defined in Section 101, which is 0 feet from the nearest other such sign in lieu of the required distance of 100 feet, and from Section 413.5.2 of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a height for said sign of 35 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 25 feet. The subject property and relief sought are more particularly described on the site plan submitted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the requisite hearing held for this matter were Garland Williams on behalf of Garland's Garden Center, Tom Church, Develop-

ment Engineering Consultant, and Anthony J. DiPaula, Esquire, attorney for the Petitioners. There were no Protestants present.

Testimony and evidence presented indicated that the subject property, known as 808 Ingleside Avenue, consists of 0.367 acres, zoned B.M.-C.C.C. and is improved with a one story brick building which is the site of a dry cleaning and shoe repair business. The property is located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Ingleside Avenue and Baltimore National Pike. The Petitioners are desirous of placing a directional sign on the property in the location shown on Petitioner's Exhibit 1 to advertise Garland's Garden Center, which is located eight (8) blocks away from the above-referenced intersection. Garland Williams, Proprietor of Garland's Garden Center, testified that he has operated his business on Ingleside Avenue for the past 20 years. He considers himself to be a local establishment, employing up to 55 individuals from this area of Baltimore County. Mr. Williams testified that competition in his line of business has increased due to the opening of a Home Depot nearby and the future opening of a Wal-Mart in the same vicinity. He believes that a directional sign is necessary in order to attract customers to his business inasmuch as Garland's is not located on a main road, such as Baltimore National Pike. Mr. Williams further believes that the much larger Home Depot and Wal-Mart will have a substantial deleterious effect upon his establishment and that the proposed sign is necessary in order for him to stay in business due to the increased competition.

It is clear that the B.C.Z.R. permits the use proposed in a B.M.-C.C.C. zone by special exception. It is equally clear that the proposed use would not be detrimental to the primary uses in the vicinity. There-

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fore, it must be determined if the conditions as delineated in Section 502.1 are satisfied.

The Petitioner had the burden of adducing testimony and evidence which would show that the proposed use mat the prescribed standards and requirements set forth in Section 502.1 of the B.C.Z.R. The Petitioner has shown that the proposed use would be conducted without real detriment to the neighborhood and would not adversely affect the public interest. The facts and circumstances do not show that the proposed use at the particular location described by Petitioner's Exhibit 1 would have any adverse impact above and beyond that inherently associated with such a special exception use, irrespective of its location within the zone. Schultz v. Pritts, 432 A.2d 1319 (1981).

The proposed use will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the locality, nor tend to create congestion in roads, streets, or alleys therein, nor be inconsistent with the purposes of the property's zoning classification, nor in any other way be inconsistent with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

After reviewing all of the testimony and evidence presented, it appears that the special exception should be granted with certain restrictions as more fully described below.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

> 1) whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;

2) whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and

3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28

It is clear from the testimony that if the variance is granted, such use, as proposed, will not be contrary to the spirit of the B.C.Z.R. and will not result in any injury to the public good.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the variance is not granted. It has been established that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of this variance request and that the requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief will unduly restrict the use of the land due to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addition, the variance requested will not cause any injury to the public health, safety or general welfare. Further, the granting of the Petitioner's request is in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the special exception and variances should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this graph day of June, 1994 that the Petition for Special Exception for an outdoor advertising sign, as defined in Section 101

of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.), to be placed on the subject property, pursuant to Section 413.3 of the B.C.Z.R., in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, he and is hereby GRANTED; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for Variance relief from Section 413.3.F of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a two-sided outdoor advertising sign, as defined in Section 101, which is 0 feet from the nearest other such sign in lieu of the required distance of 100 feet, and from Section 413.5D of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a height for said sign of 35 feet in lieu of the maximum permitted 25 feet, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following restrictions:

> 1) The Petitioners may apply for their sign permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.

> 2) The special exception and variance relief granted herein is limited to a sign advertising Garland's Carden Center, only. There shall be no other advertising matter placed upon this sign. In the event that Garland's Garden Center no longer operates from its present location at 11 Ingleside Avenue, then the subject sign shall be removed and the special exception and variances granted herein shall cease and terminate.

> 3) When applying for any permits, the site plan filed must reference this case and set forth and address the restrictions of this Order.

> > Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

Petition for Special Exception to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Exception under the Zoning Law and Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to use the herein described property for the erection and maintenance of an outdoor advertising sign as defined in BCZR 101, pursuant to BCZR 413.3 Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Exception advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. 1/We do solemnly declare and affirm. under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. Contract Purchaser/Lessee: Legal Owner(s): Garland's Garden Center JHS Group B. Ltd. (Type or Print Name) (Type of Print Name) By: Oucled Kilofler By front Sell-Signature James H. Sellors, Pt. 65. James H. Sellors 1109 Irgleside Avenue (Type or Print Name) Aun Sell Baltimore, MD 21207 City and State Attorney for Petitioner: Anthony J. DiPaula 1071 Trails End Road (Type of Print Name) Covahey & Boozer, P.A. Pasadena, MD 21122 Name, address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative to be contacted Towson, MC 21204 Attorney's Telephone No.: 828-9441 AVAILABLE FOR HEARING
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Petition for Variance to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property located at 808 Ingleside avenue which is presently zoned BM-CCC This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Developmer≤ Management. The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) 413-37 to allow a two-sided outdoor advertising sign (as defined in Sec. 101) which is C feet from the nearest other such sign in lieu of 100 feet as required; and Section 413.5D to allow an outdoor advertising sign with a height of Ø feet in lieu of 25 feet as permitted. of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or The business being advertised is located other than on the subject property and does not abut a major roadway. The variances will allow the sign to be visible over the buildings on site to traffic at the major intersection at the property. Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and funher agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the pensities of perjury, that they are the Co Table of Charles Garland's Garden, Center, 747-5/5, 1109 Ingleside Avenue Baltimore, MD 21207 Attorney for Petrtioner Anthony J. DiPaula

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(808 Ingleside Avenue) 1st Election District - 1st Councilmanic District JBS Group B, Ltd. - Petitioners Case No. 94-397-XA Dear Mr. DiPaula:

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND VARIANCE

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Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petitions for Special Exception and Variance have been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

June 8, 1994

E/S Ingleside Avenue, 25'S of the c/l of Frederick Road

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development Management office at 887-3391.

Very truly yours, TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

Deputy Zoning Smmissioner for Baltimore County

cc: Mr. Garland Williams Garland's Garden Center, 1109 Ingleside Avenue, Raltimore, Md. 21207 Mr. James H. Seliors, President

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